



LYNCH ELEMENTARY

SEPTEMBER 2024 Newsletter



Principal Macon's Minutes



On behalf of the Lynch staff, I am happy to officially welcome you to the 2024-2025 school year. We hope that each of you have enjoyed your summer and are back into the swing of school things. September is Attendance Awareness Month. Please ensure that your scholar is at school, on time, every day, ready to learn. The learning day begins at 8:45 a.m. Gates open at 8:15 a.m.

Please do not leave scholars unattended prior to this time and ensure that scholars remain at school for the entire instructional day. Valuable learning time is lost when scholars leave even fifteen minutes early.

Every minute counts!

yours in education, Principal Macon

Mark Your Calendar



- September 2 Labor Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
- September 4 National Elementary National Honor Society Induction 8:00 a.m.
- September 5 NFL Spirit Day
- September 6 Family Lunch Day
- September 10 SAC/PTA Meeting 6:00p.m.
- September 16 Start Hello Week
- September 23 Teacher Planning Day - NO SCHOOL Scholars

Technology Tidbits from Ms. Goodloe

Hello, Lynch families! I am Mrs. Goodloe, the Library/Media Technology Specialist for Lynch Elementary. Our school utilizes 1:1 devices for all scholars in grades 1-5. If you have a scholar in grades 3, 4 or 5, they have the option to also bring their computers home each night to continue the learning with Istation, Dreambox, Sora, or other programs that their teachers use. The expectation is that the computers are only used by the scholar and only for educational purposes and programs.

If you are interested in having your child's computer travel back and forth from home to school each day, please be sure to fill out the online paperwork found on FOCUS. Also, be sure to read the expectations for the take home program (which can be found on the online form). If the computer is lost, stolen, or damaged while off campus, there could be fees to repair or replace the computer.

If you have questions, please contact me at goodloek@pcsb.org or (727)570-3170 ext. 2030

Mrs. Carlson's Chronical



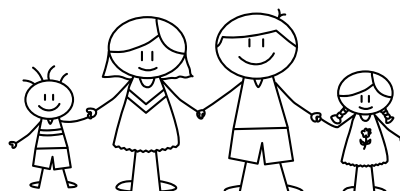
Welcome back to school, families and scholars.

It is great to have everyone back on campus working hard toward our academic goals. Scholar hours are from 8:45 a.m.- 2:55 p.m. daily. If you are in need of before/after school care, please contact one of the following: YMCA, 547-7223; Fossil Park, 893-7756; and Roberts Rec. Center, 893-7754.

Here is to a great school year!

Ms. Carlson

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From the Social Worker Ms. Lampley

Hello, Lynch ES...

My name is Meghan Lampley, and I am the new School Social Worker!

I will be here 3 days a week, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. I am looking forward to this school year. If you need any resources, or have a kiddo that needs to talk, please feel free to find me or send me an email at lampleyme@pcsb.org

September is Attendance Matters month so look out for exciting information related to this!

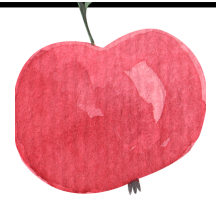


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We will prepare every student for college, career, and citizenship by providing quality educational experiences and integrating literacy through all disciplines.

School Psychologist Says...



MIND, BODY, and SPIRIT! Keeping your mind, body, and spirit energized and rejuvenated is key to your overall wellness and daily functioning. This is true for children and adults alike. An energized mind allows you to think clearly, focus, make good choices, and problem solve through the challenges you encounter each day. An energized body gives you the strength and endurance you need to meet the physical demands of your daily schedule. An energized spirit provides you with happiness, hope, and the ability to believe.

- Take your family on an educational, enjoyable trip. i.e., the museum or the zoo, etc.
- Teach, model, and reinforce basic manners and social skills, i.e., saying, "Please" and "Thank you."
- Practice problem solving and encourage your child to brainstorm ways to handle conflict.
- Play games that stimulate the mind.

Ms. Dawkins, Psychologist



Counselor's Corner Ms. Simmonds

My name is Mrs. Simmonds and I am the School Counselor at Lynch Elementary School. I have been a School Counselor for 10 years and an Educator for 21+ years. I am the proud mama of 2 girls (Lily 8 - and Aria 7). My favorite foods are pizza and chocolate and my favorite things to do, aside from spending time with my family, is hanging out at the beach and doing puzzles (like Sudoku). Thank you for taking a moment to get to know me. I am excited to be a part of the Lynch family and look forward to getting to know everyone!



Take 20 Deep Breaths



Draw Your Anger



Write About Your

Try these calming strategies when you start to feel overwhelmed.



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PTA Updates

PTA Memberships are on sale now for \$7. Visit the link below to purchase your membership and school spirit shirts.

<https://lynchelementarypta.givebacks.com/>

Membership Drive ends September 30th.

The top 3 classes with the most memberships will win a \$25 gift card each.



**From the desk of MTSS Coach,
Ms. Baldwin**



Hello, Lynch Families,

Welcome to a new school year! My name is Mrs. Baldwin, and I am Lynch’s MTSS Coach and Dreambox Champion. I help support teachers with data analysis, planning, and implementing interventions (small group instruction). Each month, I will provide information/resources that can help you support your child.

I am looking forward to our partnership this year. Mrs. Baldwin baldwins@pcsb.org

Dreambox News: In August, your child took the Dreambox Launch Pad assessment. This assessment places your child on their learning path in the Dreambox program for the year. You can monitor your child’s progress in the program by setting up your Family Insight Dashboard. This dashboard will provide you with insights into your child’s learning and highlight important milestones. This will help keep you informed on your child’s skills and foster a partnership to positively influence your child’s learning.

Setting Up Parent/Guardian Portal in Dreambox

Parents/Guardians can set up access to a Family Dashboard that allows you to monitor your scholar’s progress and milestones. Both the scholar and parent are needed to set up access.

1. Open internet browser on a computer (this will not work on an iPad).
2. Have your child log into Dreambox the same way they do at school through Clever.
3. Once logged in, click the “Set Up Parent Access” link in the bottom right corner of the screen and follow the directions. You will need an email address to create a password.
4. Use the Activity Feed in your Family Insight Dashboard to monitor progress. If your child gets stuck on a lesson, you can view it by hitting the Play Lesson button and help guide them with a facilitated discussion. Try to avoid helping them directly in the student environment.



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Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS)

PBIS is our school-wide discipline plan and the way of work to monitor behavior. The PBIS goals in our School Improvement Plan are to increase the number of scholars being behaviorally successful and to reduce the number of scholars receiving multiple referrals. Scholars need to be taught the appropriate at school behavior, and this is best done through modeling and repeated practice. Focus points reward scholars when they are demonstrating appropriate behaviors. Achievement scores also increase when scholars are actively listening and participating in class.

What is PBIS?

- o A collaborative assessment-based process to developing effective interventions for problem behavior.
- o Aims to build effective environments in which positive behavior is more effective than challenging behavior.
- o Emphasizes the use of preventative, teaching, and reinforcement-based strategies to achieve meaningful and durable behavior and lifestyle outcomes.

What does PBIS look like in our school?

- o Uses school-wide expectations and rules in specific settings to teach scholars' appropriate behavior.
- o Reward system (Focus) to encourage and model appropriate behavior and effective consequences to discourage inappropriate behavior.
- o Big Events to reward scholars with no referrals and incident reports.
- o Use data from referrals and minor infractions to target challenging behavior(s).

What are the levels of PBIS?

School Wide: Procedures and processes intended for all scholars and staff in specific settings across campus.

Classroom: Processes and procedures that reflect school-wide expectations for student behavior coupled with pre-planned strategies applied within classrooms.

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